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LETTER DATED 30 SEPTEMBER 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that United States aircraft continue to violate Iraqi airspace, as follows:

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1. United States aircraft continued to violate Iraqi airspace for purposes of surveillance and provocation. On 26/27 September 1991, a total of 24 sorties were carried out flown by nine two-aircraft formations, one three-aircraft formation and three solo aircraft at speeds of 700 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes ranging from 2,500 to 20,000 metres. Air activity was concentrated over Mosul, Arbil, Dohuk, Rawanduz, Zakho, Sanjaz and Tall'afar.

2. At 0945 hours local time, on 26 September 1991, an aircraft violated Iraqi airspace from the direction of Kuwait, south of Artawi airfield, to a distance of 10 kilometres and at a low speed of 180 kilometres per hour.

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1. On 27/28 September 1991, United States aircraft continued their violation of Iraqi airspace for purposes of surveillance and provocation by means of 23 sorties flown by 14 two-aircraft formations and one four-aircraft formation flying at speeds of 600 to 720 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 1,500 to 8,000 metres.

2. United States air activity was concentrated over Mosul, Arbil, Dohuk, Tall'afar, Farwiya, Zakho, Rawanduz, Dukan and Ayn Zalah.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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